

Minutes

Cuyahoga County Board of Control

Monday, September 14, 2026 - 11:00 A.M.

County Headquarters

2079 East Ninth Street

Committee Room B

I – CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:01 a.m.

Attending:

Katherine A. Gallagher, Chief of Operations & Community Innovation County Executive Administration
(Alternate for Chris Ronayne, County Executive)

Michael Chambers, Fiscal Officer, serving as Chairman

Mellany Seay, Finance and Operations Administrator, Department of Public Works

(Alternate for Michael Dever)

Paul Porter, Director, Department of Purchasing

Councilmember Meredith Turner

Laura Black, County Council (Alternate for Councilmember Michael Houser)

Trevor McAleer, County Council (Alternate for Councilmember Robert Schleper)

Councilmember Robert Schleper arrived at 11:11 am

II. – REVIEW MINUTES – 9/8/2026

Michael Chambers motioned to approve the minutes from the September 8, 2026, meeting; Meredith Turner seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote, as written.

III. – PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

IV. – CONTRACTS AND AWARDS

A. – Tabled Items

~~BC2026-465~~ THIS ITEM WAS HELD AT THE REQUEST OF THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Sheriff's Department,

~~a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Excel K9 Services, Inc. in the total amount not to exceed \$63,200.00 for the purchase of (4) canine trained in narcotic detection for the Correction Officer's K-9 unit.~~

~~b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26003009 to Excel K9 Services, Inc. in the total amount not to exceed \$63,200.00 for the purchase of (4) canine trained in narcotic detection for the Correction Officer's K-9 unit.~~

~~Funding Source: Commissary Fund~~

B. – New Items for Review

BC2026-473

Department of Public Works,

- a) Requesting authority to apply for grant funds from Ohio Public Works Commission in the amount of \$706,580.00 for the Barrett Road Culvert C-12 Emergency Rehabilitation and Replacement project in connection with Ohio Public Works Commission Emergency Program for the period 10/1/2026 – 7/31/2027.
- b) Submitting a grant award with Ohio Public Works Commission in the amount of \$706,580.00 for the Barrett Road Culvert C-12 Emergency Rehabilitation and Replacement project in connection with Ohio Public Works Commission Emergency Program for the period 10/1/2026 – 7/31/2027.

Funding Source: 70% Ohio Public Works Commission (\$706,580.00) and 30% Road and Bridge Fund (\$302,820.00)

Eric Mack, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Trevor McAleer seconded. Item BC2026-473 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-474

Department of Public Works,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Resa Service, LLC dba Resa Power, LLC in the amount not-to-exceed \$28,280.00 to recondition and retrofit breakers to (2) new AC Pro II trip units.
- b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26003156 to Resa Service, LLC dba Resa Power, LLC in the amount not-to-exceed \$28,280.00 to recondition and retrofit breakers to (2) new AC Pro II trip units.

Funding Source: Capital Project - General Fund

Matthew Rymer, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-474 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-475

Department of Public Works, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 5127 with Andrews Moving and Storage Company for moving services for various departments related to the 1801 Superior Avenue project for the period 2/4/2025 – 12/31/2026 to extend the time period to 12/31/2027, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$650,000.00, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: Capital Project - General Fund

Matthew Rymer, Department of Public Works, presented. Meredith Turner asked are the moves complete, so we should anticipate more cost related to moving. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-475 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-476

Department of Public Works, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 5131 (fka Contract No. 4783) with Zscape LLC for landscaping, snow removal and salting services at the Cuyahoga County Animal Shelter for the period 11/11/2024 – 11/10/2026 to extend the time period to 11/10/2027, to modify the scope of services and pricing as described in Exhibit II-A and to replace the insurance requirements and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$30,000.00, effective upon signatures of all parties.

Funding Source: Animal Shelter Operations Fund

Matthew Rymer, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Trevor McAleer seconded. Item BC2026-476 was approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-477

Department of Information Technology,

- a) Submitting an RFP exemption, which will result in an award recommendation to Infor Public Sector, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$97,802.80 for the purchase of various Workforce Data Collection time clocks and related components for the ERP system, software maintenance and support, effective upon signatures of all parties for a period of 1 year.
- b) Recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26002616 to Infor Public Sector, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed \$97,802.80 for the purchase of various Workforce Data Collection time clocks and related components for the ERP system, software maintenance and support, effective upon signatures of all parties for a period of 1 year.

Funding Source: General Fund

Brianna Witt, Department of Information Technology, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-477 was approved by unanimous vote.

~~BC2026-478~~ THIS ITEM IS BEING WITHDRAWN AT THE REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING. THIS ITEM WAS RESUBMITTED TO ONBASE IN ERROR.

~~Court of Common Pleas/Juvenile Court Division, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 5644 (fka Contract No. 5076) with Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, Inc. dba Frontline Service for the Youth Acceptance Project – Family Preservation and Reunification services for Court referred youth ages 11 – 20 at risk for recidivism for the period 7/1/2024 – 6/30/2026 to extend the time period to 6/30/2027~~

~~to replace the insurance requirements and for additional funds in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, effective 7/1/2026.~~

Funding Source: RECLAIM Grant

BC2026-479

Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services, submitting an amendment to Contract No. 5844 (fka Contract No. 5652) with A Place 4 Me Collaborative for independent living skills training for youth and young adults, ages 14-21 for the period 10/1/2025 – 9/30/2026 to extend the time period to 9/30/2027 to modify the scope of work in accordance with Exhibit I-A, and for additional funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$67,064.86, effective 10/1/2026.

Funding Source: 65% Health and Human Services Levy Fund; 35% Federal Title IV-E Reimbursement Fund

Marcos Cortes, Department of Health and Human Services, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Meredith Turner seconded. Item BC2026-479 was approved by unanimous vote.

C. – Consent Agenda

There were no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda items. Michael Chambers motioned to approve Consent Agenda Item No. BC2026-480 through BC2026-482; Paul Porter seconded. The Consent Agenda Items were approved by unanimous vote.

BC2026-480

Department of Health and Human Services/Community Initiatives Division/Office of Homeless Services,

- a) Requesting authority to apply for grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$479,311.00 for navigation services and financial assistance for homeless and at-risk youth and young adults in connection with the Cuyahoga Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program - Supportive Services Only 2024 Renewal for the period 1/1/2027 – 12/31/2027.
- b) Submitting a grant award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$479,311.00 for navigation services and financial assistance for homeless and at-risk youth and young adults in connection with the Cuyahoga Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program - Supportive Services Only 2024 Renewal for the period 1/1/2027 – 12/31/2027.

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in connection with Cuyahoga Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program - Supportive Services Only 2024 Renewal

BC2026-481

Fiscal Department, presenting proposed travel/membership requests for the week of 9/14/2026:

Department	Organization	Membership Dues	Dates of Membership	Funding Source
Department of Health and Human Services/ Cuyahoga Job and Family Services	Ohio Job and Family Services Directors ASSN	\$22,418.62	1/1/2027 – 12/31/2027	50% State and Federal 50% Health and Human Service Levy

Purpose of Membership:
2027 Association Dues, Class 5

Medical Examiner's Office, recommending to amend Board of Control Approval No. BC2026-458 dated 8/31/2026 for the National Association of Medical Examiners event in Kansas City from \$1,640.00 to \$1,690.00 as indicated below:

Dept:	Medical Examiner's Office							
Event:	NAME 2026 Annual Meeting							
Source:	National Association of Medical Examiners							
Location:	Kansas City, MO							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Malavika Sengupta	10/16/2026-10/18/2026	\$0.00	\$150.00	~~\$650.00~~ \$700.00	\$240.00	\$600.00	~~\$1,640.00~~ \$1,690.00	2025 Coverdell Grant
Lo Tamburro	10/16/2026-10/20/2026	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$ 842.00	\$290.00	\$540.00	\$1,872.00	2025 Coverdell Grant

* NAME waives registration fees for students and forensic pathologists in training.

**Staff reimbursement

*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

Purpose:

Educational conference hosted by National Association of Medical Examiners, to include didactic lecture series on forensic topics and review of research project posters and platform presentations and networking events.

Dept:	Medical Examiner's Office							
Event:	APHA 2026 Meeting and Expo Together We Thrive							
Source:	American Public Health Association							
Location:	San Antonio, TX							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Manreet Bhullar	10/31/2026-11/4/2026	\$295.00	\$300.00	\$1,380.00	\$303.26	\$500.00	\$2,778.26	Overdose Data to Action Grant

*Paid to host

**Staff reimbursement

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Purpose:

Manreet will be leading a forensic epidemiology scientific session at American Public Health Association's Annual Meeting and Expo, including a presentation on recent declines in fentanyl-related overdose deaths. She also serves on the Evidentiary Review Committee, which reviews and accepts policy briefs and position statements on behalf of APHA.

Dept:	Medical Examiner's Office							
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Source:	National Association of Medical Examiners							
Location:	Kansas City, MO							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Alison Krywanczyk	10/16/2026-10/19/2026	\$1,050.00	\$200.00	\$1,800.00	\$140.00	\$455.00	\$3,645.00	2025 Coverdell Grant
Joseph Felo	10/15/2026-10/21/2026	\$1,050.00	\$236.00	\$2,454.83	\$380.00	\$541.00	\$4,661.83	2025 Coverdell Grant

*Paid to host

**Staff reimbursement

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Purpose:

Educational conference hosted by National Association of Medical Examiners, to include didactic lecture series on forensic topics and review of research project posters and platform presentations and networking events for mentoring and fellowship candidate recruitment. Accepted as author for poster presentation and NAME board member.

Dept:	Public Defender's Office							
Event:	Youth Defender Leadership Summit							
Source:	The Gault Center							
Location:	Detroit, MI							
Staff	Travel Dates	Registration *	Meals **	Lodging **	Ground TRN/ Mileage **	Air ***	Total	Funding Source
Caitlyn Idoine	10/28/2026-10/30/2026	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$423.66	\$500.32	\$0.00	\$1,373.98	General Fund 80% reimbursed by Ohio Public Defender

*Paid to host

**Staff reimbursement

*** Airfare will be covered by a contract with the County's Travel Vendor

Purpose:

Each fall since 1997, the Gault Center hosts the only national gathering and training for youth defenders and advocates. The Youth Defender Leadership Summit brings together hundreds of youth defense attorneys and advocates from every state, DC, and Puerto Rico, and offers an invaluable space of inspiration, collaboration, and collectivity where novel strategies to strengthen youth rights are born and activated. Summit is a longstanding space dedicated exclusively to the specialization of youth defense, offering a home for youth defenders to participate in cutting-edge training workshops, develop and share strategies to better defend youth rights, learn from experts, and connect as a community to work collectively to strengthen youth rights. We convene leading legal minds, advocates, system decision-makers, and community leaders to focus deeply on the unique legal, developmental, and systemic issues impacting young people.

BC2026-482

Department of Purchasing, presenting proposed purchases for the week of 9/14/2026:

Direct Open Market Purchases
(Purchases between \$10,000.01 - \$200,000.00 unless requiring assistance from
the Department of Purchasing – See Below):

Purchase Order Number	Description	Department	Vendor Name	Total	Funding Source
26003138	Delivery, rental and pick up of portable restrooms for Cleveland Browns' home games	Department of Public Works	United Site Services, United Rentals (North America), Inc. dba Johnny on the Spot, LLC	Not-to-Exceed \$17,675.00	General Fund
26002816	On-site build-out of (5) 2026 Dodge Durango for use by the Sheriff's Department	Sheriff's Department	Hall Public Safety Co.	\$100,904.30	Home Detention Fees

Items/Services Received and Invoiced but not Paid:

Purchase Order Number	Description	Department	Vendor Name	Total	Funding Source
26003134	Factory Authorized – Service call and repairs of Court Tower AC Fan Drives at the Justice Center*	Department of Public Works	Direct Air Systems, Inc. aka Direct Air Systems, LLC	\$45,612.00	General Fund
26003104	Out-of-home care placement services for the period 3/1/2026-3/31/2026 & 5/1/2026 5/27/2026 **	Division of Children and Family Services	Care One Home Health Services LLC	\$41,289.00	65% Health and Human Services Levy Fund and 35% Title IV-E

*Approval No. BC2025-805, dated 12/22/2025 which approved an alternative procurement process, which will result in award recommendations and issuance of purchase orders to Factory Authorized Dealers in the amount

not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.00 for vehicle and equipment repairs, parts and services for the period 1/1/2026-12/31/2027.

**Approval No. BC2026-29, dated 1/27/2026, which amended BC2025-324, dated 5/12/2025, which amended multiple prior approved alternate procurement processes resulting in purchase orders to various licensed providers for reimbursement for out of home care placement services for the period 12/1/2022 – 12/31/2025 to extend the time period to 12/31/2026 and to change the total amount not to exceed from \$1,750,000. 00 to \$2,000,000.00.

V- OTHER BUSINESS

Time Sensitive/Mission Critical

BC2026-483

Department of Public Works, recommending an award on Purchase Order No. 26003155 to Resa Service, LLC dba Resa Power, LLC in the amount not-to-exceed \$22,473.00 for emergency services and repairs to the MCC and electrical distribution systems, including fuse and breaker replacements due to a ruptured waterline at the Justice Center.

Funding Source: Capital Project - General Fund

Matthew Rymer, Department of Public Works, presented. There were no questions. Michael Chambers motioned to approve the item; Laura Black seconded. Item BC2026-483 was approved by unanimous vote.

Item of Note (non-voted)

ION2026-106

Department of Health and Human Services/Office of the Director submitting a Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement between Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services and Cleveland Christian Home, Inc. dba The Centers' H.O.P.E. Campus to define the roles and responsibility to enable data sharing for children and youth in the custody of the Division of Children and Family Services placed at the H.O.P.E. Campus effective 4/1/2026 for a period of 3 years.

Funding Source: Not applicable

ION2026-107

Contracts up to \$10,000.00 – Processed and executed (no vote required)

RQ No.	Contract Number	Vendor	Service Description	Amount	Department	Date(s) of Service	Funding Source	Date of Execution
NA	6394 (fka 6002)	NC PHASE II LLC (designee of Emerald Development and Economic	For rehabilitation of four (4) new housing units and the construction of one (1) housing unit for	\$0.00	Department of Housing and Community Development	2/5/2025 - 8/5/2027	(Original) HOME Investment Partnership Federal Grant	(Executive) 7/29/2026 (Law) 7/29/2026

		Network, Inc.) for the assignment and assumption of the contract to Emerald Development and Economic Network, Inc.; to amend various terms, effective 7/29/2026.	Nelson Court Phase II Project located at 11714 – 11716 Nelson Court, in the City of Lakewood.					
N/A	N/A	Cuyahoga County Public Library – Parma-Snow Branch	Rental Agreement for use of the library's auditorium for the 2026 "Be Prepared" Event.	\$0.00	Department of Public Safety and Justice Services/ Office of Emergency Management	9/19/2026 – 9/19/2026	n/a	(Executive) 9/9/2026

Various Agreements – Processed and executed (no vote required)

Approving Resolution	Public convenience and welfare project description	Total Estimated Project Cost	Total Actual Project Cost	Funding Source	Date of Execution
R2026-0217	Resurfacing of White Road from Richmond Road to the East Corporation Line in the City of Richmond Heights- Council District 11	\$536,000.00		\$250,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund \$286,000.00 City of Richmond Heights	(Executive) 9/3/2026
R2026-0217	Reconstruction of Broadway Avenue from Oak Leaf Road to Forbes Road in Oakwood Village- Council District 6	\$500,000.00		\$250,000.00 Road and Bridge Fund \$250,000.00 Village of Oakwood	(Executive) 9/3/2026

ION2026-108

Purchases Processed (No Vote Required) in the amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00 for the period 8/1/2026 – 8/31/2026 (No Vote Required) will be available at the following link at time of posting the Final Agenda. To view the report, click on the Title “9/14/2026 – Board of Control Meeting”.

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VI – PUBLIC COMMENT

VII – ADJOURNMENT

Michael Chambers motioned to adjourn; Mellany Seay seconded. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 11:14 am.